



Kilbarchan Community Nursery February 2025



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<https://kilbarchancn.com/>



Hello everyone,

We survived January. Hopefully spring will soon be on its way! A very warm welcome to our children and families who have joined us this term.

Partnership with parents is a very important element of our provision as it ensures that we are all working consistently to support our children's learning. We have several opportunities for you to get involved in your child's care and learning, and we hope to see as many of you as possible sign up for something. Please take time to have a look at our parent information wall in the cloakroom. If you have any suggestions on anything further that you would like to get involved in, please let us know.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parent's meeting on Wednesday night. We had some excellent ideas for fundraising opportunities. These included a swap shop, quiz night, bingo night, family sports day and a Mary Poppins Themed day. We plan to host an adult's event and a family event this term. Please look out for upcoming dates.

Please look out for your letter coming home about sessions for 2025 – 26. If you could complete the form and return it as soon as possible, this will really help when allocating new sessions for new children. If you know of anyone with a child due to start nursery during the next academic year, please check with them that they have applied for their nursery place.

Victoria

Keyworker Groups and Contact Details

Blue Group – Lydia
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Yellow Group – Rebecca
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Red Group – Morag
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Purple Group – Chloe
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Turquoise Group – Fiona
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After School Care

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If you wish to speak to your child's keyworker you can ask to see them at your child's, drop off or collection time, contact them by email (see above), or by telephoning the nursery. Keyworkers will aim to keep you up to date with your child's progress, particularly during the first few weeks while settling. More formal arrangements will take place throughout the year.

For general enquiries, you can speak to Victoria, Chloe or Sarah at any time using the contact details above.

All absences must be reported to the office rather than the keyworker. Please telephone the office or email enquiries or admin.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SESSION

Chair: Karen Dickson

Vice Chair: Ian Stewart

Treasurer: Loren Burleigh

Secretary: Kayleigh Dever

Social and Fundraising: Holly Ferguson, Alison Smithers and Rebecca Stewart

FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU CLOSE THE INTERNAL DOOR WHEN LEAVING THE BUILDING!

Children's Sessions

Please adhere to the hours you have booked for your child unless you have made a particular arrangement for adjusted hours.

This helps us to manage the comings and goings to ensure security for the children.

It is also helpful for staff when planning activities.

THANK YOU!

Please

DO NOT

park in the staff car park between 8.30am and 4pm

FAMILY ROOM

The family room is available for parents and carers to use at any time. Feel free to meet up with other parents or just enjoy a quiet moment. The cupboards are (usually) stocked with tea, coffee, juice, and snacks.

Nursery Sessions 2025 – 2026

We will shortly be allocating places for session 2025 – 2026. You will receive a letter asking if you wish your child to continue with the same sessions as this year or if you wish anything different. It would be helpful to allow us to allocate new starts if you could return the form as soon as possible.

Out of School

Out of school care forms will also be issued. These places are now busy, so please ensure that you return your form to secure your place.

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

WHAT	WHEN
Forest Kindergarten	Indicate your availability on the list in the cloakroom
Baking	Tuesday Mornings from 9.15am
Musicland with Jo	Wednesday 1.30-2.30
Pre-School Physical Programme in the school gym hall	Wednesdays 9.15-10am Fridays 10.45-11.30am
Friday Bookbug	1.30-2pm

If you are interested in joining us for any of the above sessions, please inform a member of staff.

Danielle will be introducing talk for writing jotters for the children to create their own stories and providing lots of different resources for mark making.

If you have any unwanted clothing, shoes, handbags and jewellery, we would love it for our role play area. Amy, Steph and the children are working hard to create a fun and exciting space and we would love to add real fashion items to this 😊 thank you.

Steph and Amy will be working with the children to create a "family tree" for the wall in the role play area and they will also be developing a shop and using money with the children to buy the items they use to bake.

We need junk for our junk modelling area. The children love to create fabulous models but we are running low on cardboard boxes etc. We are unable to take toilet roll tubes but happy to take most other things.

In Stem we will be working on the properties of shapes and using words such as corners, edges, curved to describe shapes.

In creative we will be using hearts in painting, clay and collage activities.

On Friday 7th we will be celebrating **WELLBEING WEEK**. The children can wear their pyjamas and we will have health and wellbeing activities, including a spa.

Outdoors

The children are developing a cafe in the mud kitchen, making up recipes to cook and serve in their cafe. The children will also be taking part in treasure hunts and making their own treasure maps to follow.

Stay and Play

During February we will be having our annual Stay and Play month. We welcome parents to join us for a session with your child at any time, however during Stay and Play month we encourage all parents to take part. You will have the opportunity to see your child in the nursery setting, spend time looking through their profile with them and sharing their progress with their keyworker. We also require you to review your child's personal plan at this time. A calendar will be available on the noticeboard in the cloakroom for you to choose a session. If you are unable to attend any of the allocated sessions, please make an alternative arrangement with your child's keyworker.

Please make sure that your child has a change of clothes in their bag especially pants and socks.

Thank you.

FUNDRAISING

RAG BAG

Please remember to support our rag bag recycling programme when you are having your New Year clear out.

Keep an eye on your emails and newsletters to find out what fundraising events are coming up.

If you have any new ideas for fundraising, please let us know or speak to one of our trustees.

**Red Nose Day
Friday 21st March**

The children can wear something red or wear pyjamas if they would like to. We will be decorating red nose biscuits for the children to enjoy for their pudding.

DIARY DATES

February	Stay and Play Month
Friday 7 th February	Health and Wellbeing Day
Friday 14 th February	Staff in-service day
Monday 17 th & Tuesday 18 th February	Holiday
Tuesday 4 th March	Pancake Day/Shrove Tuesday
Friday 21 st March	Red Nose Day
Friday 4 th April	LAST DAY of TERM SERVICE CLOSES at 2.30pm (No after school care service)
Monday 7 th – Monday 21 st April	Spring Holiday
Monday 28 th April	Primary 1 Induction Day (Kilbarchan)
Monday 5 th May	Holiday
Friday 23 rd May	Staff in-service day
Monday 26 th May	Holiday
Thursday 12 th June	Primary 1 Induction Day (Kilbarchan)
Thursday 26 th June	End of Term Parties (Last day for returning children)
Friday 27 th June	Last Day of Term Pre-School Presentations NURERY CLOSES at 1pm (No after school service)